

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB0464

Introduced 2/4/2009, by Rep. Brandon W. Phelps

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 540/3-2

from Ch. 127, par. 132.403-2

Amends the State Prompt Payment Act. Provides that interest is payable to vendors beginning 45 days (instead of 60 days) after receipt of a proper bill or invoice.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The State Prompt Payment Act is amended by changing Section 3-2 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 540/3-2) (from Ch. 127, par. 132.403-2)

Sec. 3-2. Beginning July 1, 1993, in any instance where a State official or agency is late in payment of a vendor's bill or invoice for goods or services furnished to the State, as defined in Section 1, properly approved in accordance with rules promulgated under Section 3-3, the State official or agency shall pay interest to the vendor in accordance with the following:

(1) Any bill approved for payment under this Section must be paid or the payment issued to the payee within 60 days of receipt of a proper bill or invoice if received before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly or within 45 days of receipt of a proper bill or invoice if received on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly. If payment is not issued to the payee within this 45-day or 60-day 60 day period, as applicable, an interest penalty of 1.0% of any amount approved and unpaid shall be

added for each month or fraction thereof after the end of this $\underline{45}$ -day or $\underline{60}$ -day $\underline{60}$ -day period, \underline{as} applicable, until final payment is made.

- (1.1) A State agency shall review in a timely manner each bill or invoice after its receipt. If the State agency determines that the bill or invoice contains a defect making it unable to process the payment request, the agency shall notify the vendor requesting payment as soon as possible after discovering the defect pursuant to rules promulgated under Section 3-3; provided, however, that the notice for construction related bills or invoices must be given not later than 30 days after the bill or invoice was first submitted. The notice shall identify the defect and any additional information necessary to correct the defect. If one or more items on a construction related bill or invoice are disapproved, but not the entire bill or invoice, then the portion that is not disapproved shall be paid.
- (2) Where a State official or agency is late in payment of a vendor's bill or invoice properly approved in accordance with this Act, and different late payment terms are not reduced to writing as a contractual agreement, the State official or agency shall automatically pay interest penalties required by this Section amounting to \$50 or more to the appropriate vendor. Each agency shall be responsible for determining whether an interest penalty is owed and for

paying the interest to the vendor. For interest of at least \$5 but less than \$50, the vendor must initiate a written request for the interest penalty when such interest is due and payable. The Department of Central Management Services and the State Comptroller shall jointly promulgate rules establishing the conditions under which interest of less than \$5 may be claimed and paid. In the event an individual has paid a vendor for services in advance, the provisions of this Section shall apply until payment is made to that individual.

11 (Source: P.A. 94-972, eff. 7-1-07.)